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SUBJECT: JERRY BARICAN GETS HIS PASSPORT

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- 1. FORMER OPPOSITION LABAN CANDIDATE FERNANDO "JERRY" BARICAN TOLD EMBOFF AUGUST 21 HE HAS RECEIVED HIS PASSPORT AND EXIT PERMIT AS PROMISED BY PRESIDENT MARCOS. BARICAN SAID THAT, FOLLOWING HIS INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT MARCOS AUGUST 14, HE APPLIED FOR HIS TRAVEL CLEARANCE FROM THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY (NISA) ON AUGUST 15. ON AUGUST 17, NISA CALLED HIS HOME TO SAY HIS CLEARANCE HAD BEEN READY SINCE AUGUST 16. BARICAN APPLIED FOR HIS PASSPORT AUGUST 18 AND WAS TOLD TO PICK IT UP ON AUGUST 21. IT WAS READY WHEN HE DID SO.
- 2. BARICAN TOLD EMBOFF THAT SUCH EFFICIENCY IS ALMOST UNPRECEDENTED, AND HE BELIEVES HIS EXPERIENCE IS VERY LIKELY RELATED TO THE MACEDA CASE (MANILA 13996). HE SAID HE IS SURE THAT AT LEAST ONE LOCAL COLUMNIST WILL CONTRAST HIS EXPERIENCE WITH MACEDA'S DRAMATIC AND ILLEGAL DEPARTURE.

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3. BARICAN ADDED THAT HE HAS NO INTENTION OF INVOLVING HIMSELF IN EXPATRIATE POLITICS IN THE US. "I DON'T WANT TO BECOME ANOTHER RAUL MANGLAPUS OR CHARITO PLANAS. THERE ARE PLENTY OF THEM THERE ALREADY." HE SAID HE DOES NOT WANT TO HAVE DIFFICULTY RETURNING TO THE PHILIPPINES. HE FEELS PRESIDENT MARCOS WOULD REGARD ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY IN THE US AS A BETRAYAL OF HIS ASSISTANCE. "IT'S ONE

THING TO BE A POLITICAL OPPONENT OF MARCOS," HE SAID, "BUT IT'S QUITE ANOTHER THING FOR HIM TO THINK YOU'VE DOUBLE-CROSSED HIM." MURPHY

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